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SENATE BILL NO. 948

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CROWELL.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 1, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to an individual's participation in a health care system or plan.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 1, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new
2 section, to be known as section 1.320, to read as follows:

1.320. No law shall restrict an individual's natural right and
2 power of contract and the liberty to choose private health care systems
3 or private plans. No law shall interfere with the right of an individual
4 to pay for lawful medical services to preserve life or health, nor shall
5 any law impose a penalty, tax, fee, or fine, of any type, on an individual
6 who chooses to decline to contract for health care coverage or to
7 participate in any particular health care system or plan, except as
8 required by a court where an individual is a named party in a judicial
9 dispute. Nothing herein shall be construed to expand, limit or
10 otherwise modify any determination of law regarding what constitutes
11 lawful medical services within the state. The provisions of this act
12 shall not apply to an individual who seeks voluntary coverage under a
13 state-administered program under Title XIX or Title XXI of the Social
14 Security Act.

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